

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268

MAIL PROCESSING NETWORK RATIONALIZATION
SERVICE CHANGES, 2011

Docket No. N2012-1

**RESPONSES OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS NERI TO
AMERICAN POSTAL WORKERS UNION, AFL-CIO INTERROGATORIES
(APWU/USPS-T4—28-29)
(March 12, 2012)**

The United States Postal Service provides the responses of witness Neri (USPS-T-4) to the above-listed interrogatories of the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO, dated February 24, 2012. Each interrogatory is stated verbatim and followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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APWU/USPS-T4-28 Please describe the Postal Service's mail processing and transportation flows from origin entry, including retail where appropriate, to destination delivery unit for the following parcel mail products:

- a) First Class Lightweight Parcels
- b) Standard Mail Commercial Parcels
- c) Standard Mail Not Flat-Machinables
- d) Single Piece Parcel Post
- e) BPM Parcels
- f) Media and Library Mail Parcels

RESPONSE:

a) First Class Lightweight Parcels

- 1. Entry through retail or collection
- 2. Transport to the host mail processing facility
- 3. Sort to appropriate Area Distribution Center (ADC), 3-digit, or 5 digit separation
- 4. Transport according to destination (ADC)
- 5. Destinating ADC sorts to appropriate 3-digit or 5-digit
- 6. Transport to Associate Office or Delivery Unit

b) Standard Mail Commercial Parcels

- 1. Entry through retail, Network Distribution Center drop shipment, Plant drop shipment, or destination entry
- 2. Retail will separate and transport to host mail processing facility
- 3. Processing will separate or transfer and transport to host Network Distribution Center
- 4. Network Distribution Center (NDC) will sort according to NDC Tier requirements
- 5. Transport according to destination Network Distribution Center
- 6. Destinating Network Distribution Center sorts to appropriate 3-digit or 5-digit
- 7. Transport to appropriate processing facility
- 8. Sort, Separate or transfer to Associate Office or Delivery Unit

c) Standard Mail Not Flat-Machinables

- 1. Entry through retail, Network Distribution Center drop shipment, Plant drop shipment, or destination entry.
- 2. Retail will separate and transport to host mail processing facility
- 3. Processing will transfer and transport to host Network Distribution Center
- 4. Network Distribution Center (NDC) will sort according to NDC Tier requirements
- 5. Transport according to destination Network Distribution Center
- 6. Destinating Network Distribution Center sorts to appropriate 3-digit or 5-digit
- 7. Transport to appropriate processing facility

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8. Sort, separate or transfer to Associate Office or Delivery Unit

d) Single Piece Parcel Post

1. Entry through retail operation.
2. Retail will separate and transport to host mail processing facility
3. Processing will transfer and transport to host Network Distribution Center
4. Network Distribution Center (NDC) will sort according to NDC Tier requirements
5. Transport according to destination Network Distribution Center
6. Destinating Network Distribution Center sorts to appropriate 3-digit or 5-digit
7. Transport to appropriate processing facility
8. Sort, separate or transfer to Associate Office or Delivery Unit

e) Bound Printed Matter Parcels

1. Entry through retail, Network Distribution Center drop shipments, plant drop shipment, or destination entry.
2. Retail will separate and transport to host mail processing facility
3. Processing will transfer and transport to host Network Distribution Center
4. Network Distribution Center (NDC) will sort according to NDC Tier requirements
5. Transport according to destination Network Distribution Center
6. Destinating Network Distribution Center sorts to appropriate 3-digit or 5-digit
7. Transport to appropriate processing facility
8. Sort, Separate or transfer to Associate Office or Delivery Unit

f) Media and Library Mail Parcels

1. Entry through retail, Network Distribution Center drop shipment, plant drop shipment, or destination entry.
2. Retail will separate and transport to host mail processing facility
3. Processing will transfer and transport to host Network Distribution Center
4. Network Distribution Center (NDC) will sort according to NDC Tier requirements
5. Transport according to destination Network Distribution Center
6. Destinating Network Distribution Center sorts to appropriate 3-digit or 5-digit
7. Transport to appropriate processing facility
8. Sort, Separate or transfer to Associate Office or Delivery Unit

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APWU/USPS-T4-29 For each process flow described in response to APWU/USPS-T4-28, please indicate the type of processing facility and the type of equipment used to process the parcels.

RESPONSE:

The following methods and facilities are associated with the steps identified in APWU/USPS-T4-28 :

a) First Class Lightweight Parcels

1. Occurs in Associate Office and Retail Units
2. Transport
3. Occurs in Processing and Distribution Center or Facility / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing System
4. Transport
5. Occurs in Processing and Distribution Center or Facility / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing System, Universal Sorter
6. Transport

b) Standard Mail Commercial Parcels

1. Occurs in Associate Offices and Retail Units, Bulk mail Entry Units, Network Distribution Centers, Processing and Distribution Centers and facilities and Delivery Units / Manual
2. Transport
3. Occurs in Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities / Manual
4. Occurs in Network Distribution Centers / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing System, Parcel Sorting Machine, Sack Sorting Machine and Universal Sorter
5. Transport
6. Occurs in Destinating Network Distribution Center / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing Machine, Parcel Sorting Machine, Sack Sorting Machine and Universal Sorter
7. Transport
8. Occurs at Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing Machine

c) Standard Mail Not Flat-Machinables

1. Occurs in Associate Offices and Retail Units, Bulk Mail Entry Units, Network Distribution Centers, Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities and Delivery Units / Manual
2. Transport
3. Occurs in Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities / Manual

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4. Occurs in Network Distribution Centers / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing System, Parcel Sorting Machine, Sack Sorting Machine and Universal Sorter
5. Transport
6. Occurs in Destinating Network Distribution Center / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing Machine, Parcel Sorting Machine, Sack Sorting Machine and Universal Sorter
7. Transport
8. Occurs at Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing Machine

d) Single Piece Parcel Post

1. Occurs in Associate Office and Retail Units
2. Transport
3. Occurs in Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities / Manual
4. Occurs in Network Distribution Centers / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing System, Parcel Sorting Machine, Sack Sorting Machine and Universal Sorter
5. Transport
6. Occurs in Destinating Network Distribution Center / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing Machine, Parcel Sorting Machine, Sack Sorting Machine and Universal Sorter
7. Transport
8. Occurs at Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing Machine

e) Bound Printed Matter Parcels

1. Occurs in Associate Office and Retail Units
2. Transport
3. Occurs in Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities / Manual
4. Occurs in Network Distribution Centers / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing System, Parcel Sorting Machine, Sack Sorting Machine and Universal Sorter
5. Transport
6. Occurs in Destinating Network Distribution Center / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing Machine, Parcel Sorting Machine, Sack Sorting Machine and Universal Sorter
7. Transport
8. Occurs at Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing Machine

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f) Media and Library Mail Parcels

1. Occurs in Associate Office and Retail Units
2. Transport
3. Occurs in Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities / Manual
4. Occurs in Network Distribution Centers / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing System, Parcel Sorting Machine, Sack Sorting Machine and Universal Sorter
5. Transport
6. Occurs in Destinating Network Distribution Center / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing Machine, Parcel Sorting Machine, Sack Sorting Machine and Universal Sorter
7. Transport
8. Occurs at Processing and Distribution Centers and Facilities / Manual, Automated Parcel Bundle Sorter, Automated Package Processing Machine